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INTRODUCTION

This is a publication of the “Nevada Data Project”. The project was implemented by the Nevada Statewide Coalition Partnership with funding from the Nevada State Incentive Grant (SIG), a Cooperative Agreement grant from the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP), a division of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The funding is administered by Nevada’s Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA), an agency of the Nevada Mental Health and Developmental Services Division. Join Together Northern Nevada (JTNN), a substance abuse prevention coalition located in Reno and serving Washoe County, served as the coordinator and fiscal agent for the project. JTNN contracted with Coop Consulting, Inc., a research and evaluation firm, to lead the design and implementation of the project. An ad hoc Data and Evaluation Committee, made up of members of the Partnership and state staff from SAPTA, provided guidance in all aspects of the project.

The goal of the project was to collect comprehensive data for more effective prevention planning by Nevada’s communities. To accomplish this goal, two primary data collection strategies were devised. One strategy was designed to obtain statistically reliable data about community and state-level substance abuse and related problems – a statewide random telephone survey with a sample sufficiently large enough to represent each of the state’s coalitions was initiated to gather these data (384 was the targeted number of completed interviews from each geographic region). The second strategy was designed to obtain data from multiple sectors of the community that can serve as a local baseline measure of perceptions and norms about the severity of high risk and underage drinking and their consequences, and which can provide specific local information that can be used to target specific interventions – a local convenience survey was developed and implemented by the state’s coalitions, collected from community sectors chosen by the coalitions (to obtain a sufficiently large enough sample in each area, each coalition agreed to collect 350 completed surveys). In both survey processes, the coalition target numbers were exceeded in most cases.

Archival data about key indicators are also important to community level planning. Large amounts of data are collected and compiled by state agencies that can be very useful. Data that have been published previously as part of Nevada’s 2005 substance abuse Needs Assessment have been updated where possible and included in this project so as to provide the most comprehensive picture of the available data possible. Data include substance use indicators, along with data on some of the major consequences of use, and data reflecting common risk and protective factors associated with substance abuse behaviors. Treatment admission data may also prove useful for planning and are included in the state level report.

INTRODUCTION (CONTINUED)

TELEPHONE SURVEY



The statewide telephone survey was designed to solicit information about a range of substance abuse behaviors, beliefs and opinions, risks, and related resiliency items. The items in the survey were, to the extent possible, chosen from existing, validated, national surveys.

As the resulting survey instrument and implementation protocol are similar to those required for the nationally implemented Behavior Risk Factor Surveillance Survey (BRFSS), a Request for Proposal solicited bids from national survey firms with demonstrated experience implementing the BRFSS and similar rigorous survey protocols. JTNN selected and contracted with the Burlington, Vermont office of Macro International Inc. (Macro) to perform the survey's data collection. The statewide telephone survey was implemented from April through July of 2007. Data collection was conducted via telephone surveys with randomly selected adults in randomly selected, telephone-equipped Nevada households.

The telephone survey sample of numbers was drawn from the total non-institutionalized Nevadan adult population (ages 18 and older) residing in telephone-equipped dwellings. This population excluded adults: (1) in penal, mental, or other institutions; (2) living in other group quarters such as dormitories, barracks, convents, or boarding houses; (3) contacted at their second home during a stay of less than 30 days; (4) living in a home without a telephone; and (5) who do not speak English well enough to be interviewed, except for Spanish-speaking respondents, who were then interviewed by Spanish-speaking interviewers. The resulting sample provided for a proportional-to-adult population, stratified, statewide random sample of telephone-equipped Nevada households. At the conclusion of the survey period, 4,678 telephone interviews were completed.

The survey's sample design specified a list-assisted, random digit dial (RDD) sample of Nevada's telephone-equipped households. The list-assisted RDD procedure assures that households with telephone numbers assigned since the publication of current directories, as well as those with deliberately unlisted numbers, are sampled in their correct proportions. List-assisted state RDD samples are generated by first preparing, and then maintaining, an up-to-date list of all current operating telephone exchanges (three-digit prefixes) in Nevada's area codes. These telephone exchanges, when combined with all four-digit numbers from 0000 to 9999, constitute the set of all possible working Nevada telephone numbers, both residential and non-residential.

This set of all possible telephone numbers is then arranged in ascending order by exchange and suffix, and divided into blocks of 100 numbers each. Cross-reference directories are utilized to determine which of these blocks contain at least one listed residential number (a.k.a. one-plus blocks). The one-plus blocks are then matched to a database of listed phone numbers to identify whether the phone number is listed or unlisted. A random sample of telephone numbers is drawn from the one-plus blocks, sampling listed numbers relative to unlisted numbers at a 1.5:1 ratio. This procedure assures that all new and unlisted numbers are sampled in their correct proportions.

TELEPHONE SURVEY (CONTINUED)



The JTNN Needs Assessment main study included a stratified sample design. This design specified ten geographic strata that encompassed the entire state (these ten geographic areas represent the coverage areas of the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions), plus one strata that comprised a Hispanic surname oversample. Each geographic area was made up of one or more Nevada counties.

Macro purchased a random sample of telephone numbers from Genesys, a national vendor that provides lists of precisely generated telephone numbers, as required by the JTNN contract. These records were pre-screened for non-working and business numbers and configured in batches of 50. An initial sample load of 16,830 records was released on April 23; 16,800 additional records were released on May 9, and 15,150 more on May 16.

Data collection began April 19th, 2007 and ended on July 26th, 2007. The sample design called for a minimum total of 4,220 completed interviews. The target for each strata (each coalition geographic area) was 384 completes. In all, 4,648 interviews were collected. Completes by strata are detailed in the appendix. A computer-assisted telephone interviewing (CATI) approach was implemented for data collection. The telephone survey was fielded from Macro's Plattsburgh, New York CATI Research Center, as well as their sister company, Opinion Research Corporation's, Tucson, Arizona, and Reno, Nevada CATI Research Centers. The telephone survey followed a 15-attempt protocol, in which 15 attempts were made until a final disposition was obtained.

Experienced, supervised personnel conducted the JTNN Needs Assessment interviews using Computers for Marketing Corporation's (CfMC) CATI software package. To maximize response rates, Macro concentrated calls in the respondent's time zone between 5 p.m. and 9 p.m. Monday through Friday; and between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday. A portion of calls was conducted between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, in order to complete interviews with respondents who were only at home during the day. The average interview length was 18.8 minutes. Screening to randomly select a respondent in the household took approximately 1.5 minutes.

CONVENIENCE SURVEY



Brief convenience surveys can be useful tools in collecting local data that give very specific information for targeted assessment and planning purposes. To that end, adult, youth, and a Native American convenience survey instruments were developed. These were implemented from March through June 2007 by every community coalition. A total of 8,924 surveys were collected, on paper, from every community in Nevada. These surveys were completed through a broad range of strategies, including one-on-one interview sessions, door-to-door collection strategies, in front of key business locations in communities where a broad range of the population could reasonably be expected to frequent, e-mail strategies, community and focus group collection strategies, and other creative, grass roots approaches. The very large return rate is a reflection of the success of community coalitions in devising these collection strategies.

The goal of these convenience surveys was to collect information about local norms and perceptions of use, ease of access, severity of community behaviors, severity of underage binge drinking and related problems, and similar

issues. This data can help local communities determine where and how to focus their efforts when they complete community action plans in the future.

The survey was distributed and collected by each community coalition. Completed surveys were submitted to Coop Consulting for data entry and analysis. JTNN managed the submission and tracking process for this project element.

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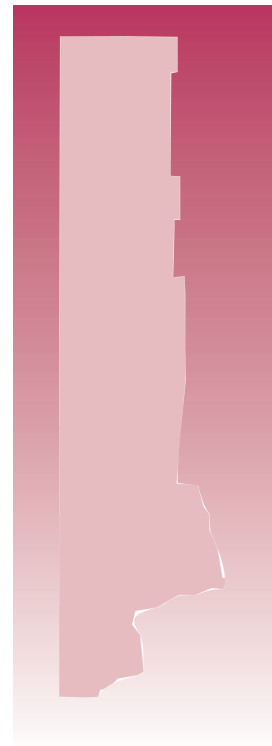
This publication consists of three major components: the results of a statewide telephone survey implemented by a national telephone research company, the results of convenience surveys implemented by all of the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions, and archival data provided by the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Agency (SAPTA). A fourth component, treatment admission data, is included in the state level report.

DEMOGRAPHICS

County: Washoe

Population Estimate ¹ • Washoe		
	Number	Percent
Age 0-18	110,607	26.6
Age 19-44	157,014	27.8
Age 45-64	104,775	25.2
Age 65+	43,379	10.4
Total	415,775	100

Race Ethnicity Estimate ¹ • Washoe		
	Number	Percent
Native American/Alaskan	7,987	1.9
Asian/Pacific Islander	25,399	6.1
Black/African American	9,129	2.2
Latino/Hispanic	90,338	21.7
White	282,923	68.0
Total	415,775	100



ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Washoe

Community Domain

Availability of Drugs ²	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Youth Accessible Tobacco Outlets	329	3.0	1,974	2.7
Liquor Licenses	779	1.9	3,411	1.2

Transition & Mobility ³	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Owner occupied housing	78,296	59.3	457,248	60.9
Renter occupied housing	53,788	40.7	293,918	39.1
Ten Year Percent Change ¹ (1997-2007)	94,947	29.6% Growth	947,733	53.1% Growth

Low Neighborhood Attachment ⁴	County		Nevada	
	Number		Number	
Active Voters	232,163	76.3%	1,186,656	60.3%
Correctional Facility Inmates	1117	3.9 per 1,000 adults	4,223	2.4 per 1,000 adults

Extreme Economic Deprivation ⁵	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Persons Below Poverty Level (2004)	38,729	10.1	266,984	11.1
Children Below Poverty Level (2003)	12,647	13.5	91,562	15.8
Unemployment (2006)	8,739	2.2	54,217	2.1
Food Stamp Recipients (*SFY 07)	15,273	3.7	118,923	4.4
TANF (*SFY 07)	1,725	0.4	17,586	0.6
Free/Reduced Lunch (School Year 05-06)	21,041	32.8	171,118	41.5
Median Household Income (2004)	\$50,167		\$47,231	
Low Birth Weight (2004)	415	7.55	2,799	7.96

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Washoe

Family Domain

Family History of Problem Behavior and Family Management Problems ⁶	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Reported Child Abuse/Neglect (2002)	651	7.1	2,875	5.1
Female/No Husband Present (1999)	13591	10.3	83,483	11.1
Non-High School Graduates (2000)	35626	16.1	253,374	19.4

Family Conflict ⁷	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
Divorce (2003)	2,203	7.9	16,335	9.5
Reported Domestic Violence (2005)	3,153	758.3	31,237	1,143.8

Parental Attitudes/Involvement ⁸	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Adult Drug Related Arrests (2005)	1,838	6.3	10,608	5.8
Adult Alcohol Related Arrests (2005)	3,552	12.2	15,796	8.6
Adult Property Crime Arrests (2005)	2,514	8.7	14,990	8.2
Adult Violent Crime Arrests (2005)	1,698	5.8	19,786	10.8

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Washoe

School Domain

Commitment to School	County	Nevada
	Percent	Percent
H.S. Dropout Rate (School Year 05-06) ⁹	2.0	5.7
Average Student Attendance (School Year 05-06) ¹⁰	94.9	93.7
Student Graduation Rate (School Year 05-06) ¹⁰	73.9	64.9

Incidents occurring at school ¹¹ (2005-2006 school year)	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 students	Number	Per 1,000 Students
Violent Incidents	1,813	28.2	10,052	24.4
Weapon Incidents	188	2.9	749	1.8
Substance Incidents	445	6.9	1,226	3.0
Habitual Offenders	0	0	81	0.2
Truants	484	7.5	1,702	4.1

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Washoe

Individual/Peer Domain

Problem Behavior ¹²	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Youth Suicide (2004)	1	.01	11	.02
	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17	Number	Per 1,000 Fem. 15-17
Teen Birth Rate (2004)	566	42.1	3,783	46.59

Juvenile Justice Referrals ¹³	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18	Number	Per 1,000 youth <18
Alcohol Related	637	11.9	2,209	6.7
Drug Related	520	9.7	2,295	7.0
Property Related	1,756	32.8	8,687	26.3
Weapons Related	77	1.4	475	1.4

Alcohol & Drug Associated Traffic Crashes ¹⁴	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2002)	18	0.05	162	0.07
Alcohol/Drug Related Injury Crashes (2002)	321	0.89	2,010	0.91
Alcohol/Drug Related Crashes (2002)	697	1.94	4,314	1.96
Alcohol/Drug Related Fatalities (2005)	17	0.04	159	0.06

Hospital Data for Discharges & Deaths ¹⁵	County		Nevada	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Drug/Alcohol Related Discharges	692	2.1	5,188	2.3
	Number	Per 1,000	Number	Per 1,000
Drug/Alcohol Related Deaths	135	36.2	652	28.5

ARCHIVAL DATA

County: Washoe

Individual/Peer Domain (continued)

AIDS, HIV and Sexually Transmitted Disease ¹⁶	County		Nevada	
	Number	Per 100,000	Number	Per 100,000
AIDS	22	5.4	253	9.6
HIV	27	6.6	332	12.6
Chlamydia	1,183	291.2	8,299	316.1
Gonorrhea	214	52.7	2,766	105.3
Syphilis	N/A	--	136	5.2

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NEVADA STATEWIDE TELEPHONE SURVEY: DATA FROM WASHOE COUNTY, SERVED BY JOIN TOGETHER NORTHERN NEVADA

The design of the Nevada statewide telephone survey consisted of a random sample of adults aged 18 and above from each of ten geographic regions of the state, plus a sample of Hispanic adults from Clark County. These ten regions are the coverage area of the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions, and together constitute all of Nevada. These regions range in size from one county to three counties. The multi-county coalition areas of the state reflect contiguous groupings of counties with small populations. The breakdown of these regions is reflected in the table below. An additional sample was purchased of Hispanic surname households in Clark County in order to provide data for use by the Hispanic community coalition in that county.

Nevada Coalition	County/-ies in coverage area
BEST Community Coalition	Clark County (shared sample with Goshen)
Churchill Community Coalition	Churchill County
Community Council on Youth	Carson City
Eastern Nevada Community Coalition	Eureka, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties
Frontier Community Coalition	Humboldt, Lander, and Pershing Counties
Goshen Community Development Coalition	Clark County (shared sample with BEST)
Healthy Communities Coalition	Lyon, Storey, and Mineral Counties
Join Together Northern Nevada	Washoe County
Luz Community Development Coalition	Clark County – Hispanic community (standalone sample)
Nye Community Coalition	Esmeralda and Nye Counties
Partners Allied for Community Excellence	Elko County
Partnership of Community Resources	Douglas County
Statewide Native American Coalition	Twenty-seven tribal communities across state and urban area Native Americans (all Native telephone survey participants are included in counties above; not a separate sample)

The survey protocol was designed with a targeted number of 384 participants from all of the areas described above. In many areas of the state, the final sample of completed telephone interviews exceeded this target number. Individual county random samples of adults from every county were not possible due to the very small populations of some of the state's counties. For this reason the breakdown of coalition coverage areas was used to gather a sufficient total sample for this survey. A total of 4,648 completed telephone interviews was obtained. This report concentrates on respondents contacted in Washoe County, which is served by Join Together Northern Nevada.

The table below provides a breakdown of respondents' (completed interviews) by county of residence.

COUNTY	NUMBER	PERCENT
CLARK	1	.3
LYON	2	.5
WASHOE	370	96.4
Total	373	97.1
Missing	11	2.9
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Following reporting convention, percentage calculations are rounded and in some cases in this report will not sum to 100%.

Zip Codes

Zip Codes	Number	Percent
89056	1	.3
89121	1	.3
89402	1	.3
89405	1	.3
89431	28	7.3
89433	16	4.2
89434	22	5.7
89436	26	6.8
89439	1	.3
89441	6	1.6
89442	1	.3
89450	3	.8
89451	6	1.6
89452	3	.8
89501	1	.3
89502	29	7.6
89503	29	7.6
89506	36	9.4
89508	2	.5
89509	48	12.5
89510	2	.5
89511	36	9.4
89512	13	3.4

Zip Codes	Number	Percent
89515	1	.3
89519	12	3.1
89521	16	4.2
89523	29	7.6
89533	1	.3
89704	4	1.0
Total	375	97.7
Missing	9	2.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

DEMOGRAPHICS

The demographic information that follows reflects survey data on respondents' age, marital status, employment status, income, education level, and race. Answers are shown in the tables below.

Age

The total random telephone survey sample included respondents who ranged in age from 18 to 86 years of age; the average age was 51.28 years.

Gender

	Number	Percent
Female	240	62.5
Male	144	37.5
Total	384	100.0

Marital Status

Status	Number	Percent
Married	217	56.5
Divorced	56	14.6
Widowed	44	11.5
Separated	5	1.3
Never Married	45	11.7
A Member of an Unmarried Couple	12	3.1
Total	379	98.7
Missing	5	1.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED

Employment Status

Status	Number	Percent
Employed for Wages	196	51.0
Self-Employed	37	9.6
Out of Work for More than a Year	6	1.6
Out of Work for Less than a Year	1	.3
A Homemaker	33	8.6
A Student	13	3.4
Unable to Work	13	3.4
Total	299	77.9
Missing	85	22.1
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Income

Amount	Number	Percent
Less than \$10,000	7	1.8
\$10,000 to less than \$15,000	9	2.3
\$15,000 to less than \$25,000	19	4.9
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	25	6.5
\$25,000 to less than \$35,000	32	8.3
\$35,000 to less than \$50,000	58	15.1
\$75,000 or more	119	31.0
Total	269	70.1
Missing	115	29.9
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Education

Completed	Number	Percent
Never attended or only kindergarten	1	.3
Grades 1 through 8 (elementary)	6	1.6
Grades 9 through 11 (some high school)	12	3.1
Grade 12 or GED (high school)	79	20.6
1 to 3 years of college	131	34.1
College graduate	154	40.1
Total	383	99.7
Missing	1	.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED

Race

Race	Number	Percent
White	336	87.5
Black or African American	4	1.0
Asian	7	1.8
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3	.8
American Indian	4	1.0
Alaska Native	1	.3
Total	355	92.4
Missing	29	7.6
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Hispanic / Latino Status

	Number	Percent
YES	27	7.0
NO	354	92.2
Total	381	99.2
Missing	3	.8
Total with Missing	384	100.0

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Number of Children Under the Age of 18 in Your Household

Number of Children	Number	Percent
None	260	67.7
One	45	11.7
Two	50	13.0
Three	17	4.4
Four	6	1.6
Five	2	.5
Six	1	.3
Ten	1	.3
Total	382	99.5
Missing	2	.5
Total with Missing	384	100.0

A total of 122 respondents, or 31%, reported having one or more children in their household under the age of 18 years.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES CONTINUED

Are you the Parent or Guardian of these Children?

	Number	Percent
Yes	112	29.2
No	10	2.6
Total	122	31.8
Missing	262	68.2
Total with Missing	384	100.0

A total of 112, or 91%, of those reporting having children under the age of 18 in their household are also the parents or guardians of those children.

Respondents who had young children were asked how many hours their children were in daycare or childcare programs.

Hours per week children in daycare

Number of hours per week	Number	Percent
0	42	10.9
1-10	6	1.6
11-20	5	1.3
21-30	5	1.3
31-40	9	2.3
41+	5	1.3
Total	72	18.8
Missing	312	81.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Hours per week children in after-school

Number of hours per week	Number	Percent
0	62	16.1
1-5	11	2.9
6-10	8	2.1
11-15	4	1.0
21+	4	1.0
Total	89	23.2
Missing	295	76.8
Total with Missing	384	100.0

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Respondents were asked how many hours per week and per month they spent volunteering in their community. One way to look at the strength of various communities is to see how much time people spend volunteering. Community involvement, hours spent outside work and home in a volunteer capacity are factors in understanding community strengths. In the tables below, 112 respondents, or just over 29%, report volunteering each week in their community, and 127, or 33%, report participating in community service activities.

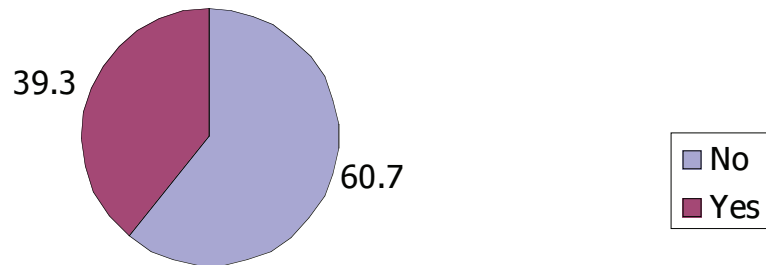
Hours per week spent volunteering

Number of hours per week	Number	Percent
0	271	70.6
1-2	39	10.2
3-4	22	5.7
5+	51	13.3
Total	383	99.7
Missing	1	.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Hours spent in community service per month

Number of hours per month	Number	Percent
0	255	66.4
1-3	34	8.9
4-6	35	9.1
7-10	25	6.5
11-15	7	1.8
16+	26	6.8
Total	382	99.5
Missing	2	.5
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Positive adult presence, outside the family, can be very important for youth, often leading to less risky behaviors and creating adolescent resiliency. Respondents were asked if they had a mentoring or nurturing relationship with youth other than their own children in the community.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CONTINUED**Have mentoring relationship with Community Youth**

Research suggests that family time spent in non-television related activities-- such as games, reading, sports, discussions, exercise, craft projects, school activities, hobbies, etc.—is beneficial to child mental and physical health outcomes. These types of activities are also important in building positive family relationships that support healthy youth development. Questions were asked to reflect what types of activities parents were involved in with their children and facility/frequency of discussion on drugs, including alcohol. The data below, which are frequently about family behaviors, should be understood within the context of the 112 adults, reported above, who are the parent or guardian of one or more children in their household.

Times family had dinner together without TV on

Number of times in the past week	Number	Percent
0	9	2.3
1-2	23	6.0
3-4	27	7.0
5-7	49	12.8
Total	108	28.1
Missing	276	71.9
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Of the 112 adults who reported being a parent or guardian of children in the household, 99, or 88%, report having dinner together without the TV on at least once during the past week.

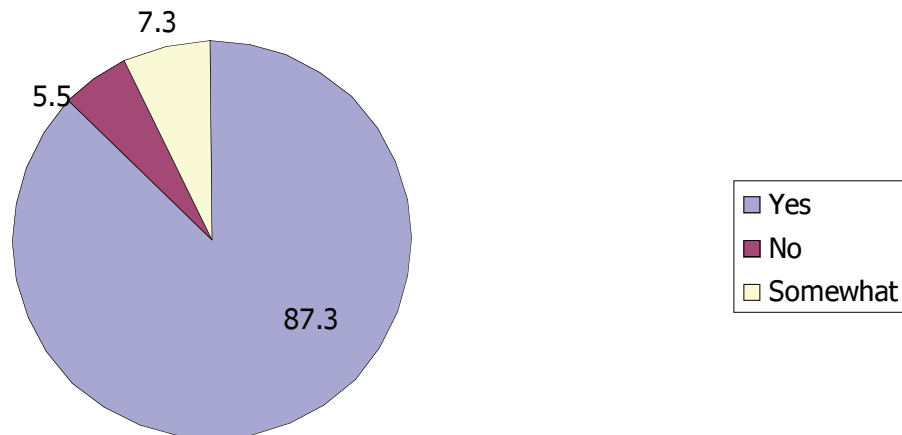
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CONTINUED

Number of times you attended religious or spiritual services with your children in the past three months?

Number of times in past 3 months	Number	Percent
0	47	12.2
1-3	20	5.2
4-6	8	2.1
7-10	5	1.3
11+	29	7.6
Total	109	28.4
Missing	275	71.6
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Respondents were asked if they felt they had the knowledge to talk to their children about alcohol and drugs, and how often those conversations occurred.

Do You have the knowledge to talk to your children about drugs?



How many times have you talked to your children about drug and alcohol issues during the past three months?

Number of times in past 3 months	Number	Percent
0	20	5.2
1-2	21	5.5
3-5	17	4.4
6-8	10	2.6
9+	24	6.3
Child is too young for this topic	20	5.2
Total	112	29.2
Missing	272	70.8
Total with Missing	384	100.0

PERCEPTION OF RISK

Perception of risk addresses the likelihood that a respondent believes there will be a negative consequence of a particular activity. This can provide various ways for communities to consider planning for community level change. The sections below show respondents' perception of risk related to alcohol use, access, and drinking and driving.

Perceived Risk of Underage Drinking and Underage Drinking and Driving

Research suggests that the degree of perceived risk of specific, immediate consequences of (in this case underage drinking and drinking and driving) can determine the likelihood of that behavior.

The items related on the graph below look at:

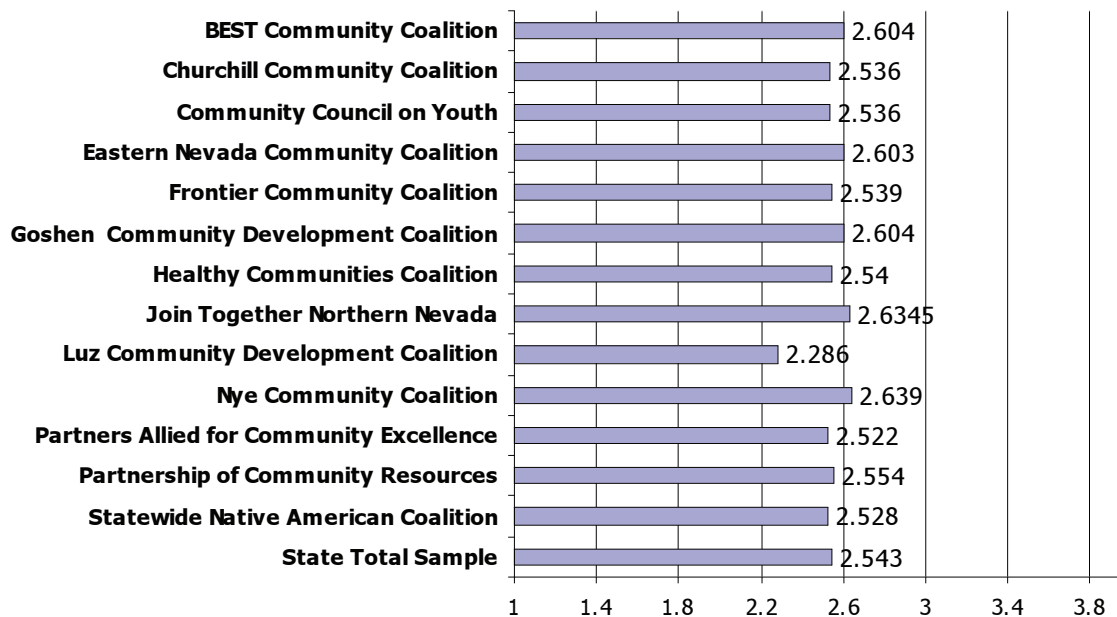
- how likely the respondents thought it was that someone underage who was drinking would be caught by the police;
- how likely someone under 21 who was drinking and driving would be to lose their license;
- how likely it was that nothing would happen to someone under 21 who was caught drinking and driving (this item was reverse-coded to match response direction of the two questions above).

Items in the survey were combined to create a scale that measures perceived risk with regard to underage drinking and underage drinking and driving. Each of the items was scored on a scale that ranged from 1 = very likely to 4 = very unlikely (the ratings were added and divided by 4 to create a scale score between 1 and 4).

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

The following graphs provide the average ratings for each of the coalition areas in the state. The Luz Coalition is representative of Clark County Hispanics and the Statewide Native American Coalition includes Nevada Native Americans from all the Tribes in the state.

Perceived Risk of Underage Drinking/ Underage Drinking and Driving



The average score of 2.54 indicates that respondents think there is little perception of risk that underage youth will suffer any consequences for drinking alcohol or for drinking and driving. A scale score of 2.5 is a neutral score, the midpoint between very likely and very unlikely.

Perceived Risk of Drinking and Driving Behaviors

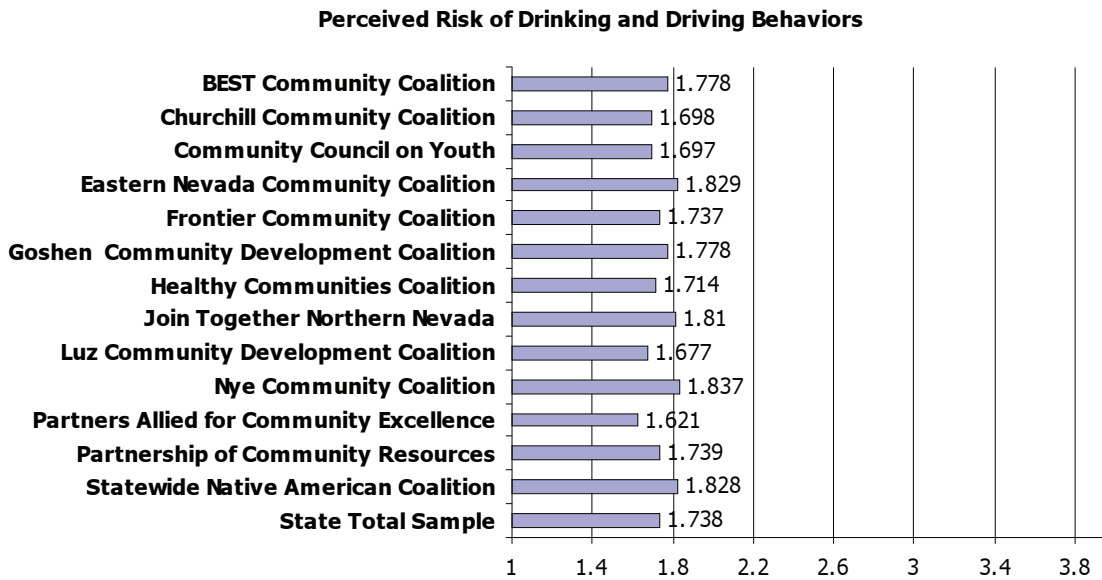
Motor vehicle-related injuries are a leading cause of death in Nevada; this includes minors affected by alcohol-related accidents. The information below deals with perceptions of risk involved in drinking and driving, and the likelihood of being impacted if driving under the influence (DUI).

Perception of drinking and driving risks are measured in the section below through the following survey items:

- likelihood of being stopped by the police when driving with more than the legal blood alcohol limit;
- likelihood of being convicted if you were stopped and charged with DUI;
- likelihood of being arrested if stopped by the police for DUI.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Ratings were summed as for the previous scale and average score for the sample identified in the following graph and compared to other coalition areas in the state.



The average state score of 1.738 indicates that respondents think it is somewhat likely that people will suffer consequences of drinking and driving.

Perceived Risk of Providing Alcohol to Minors and Intoxicated Patrons

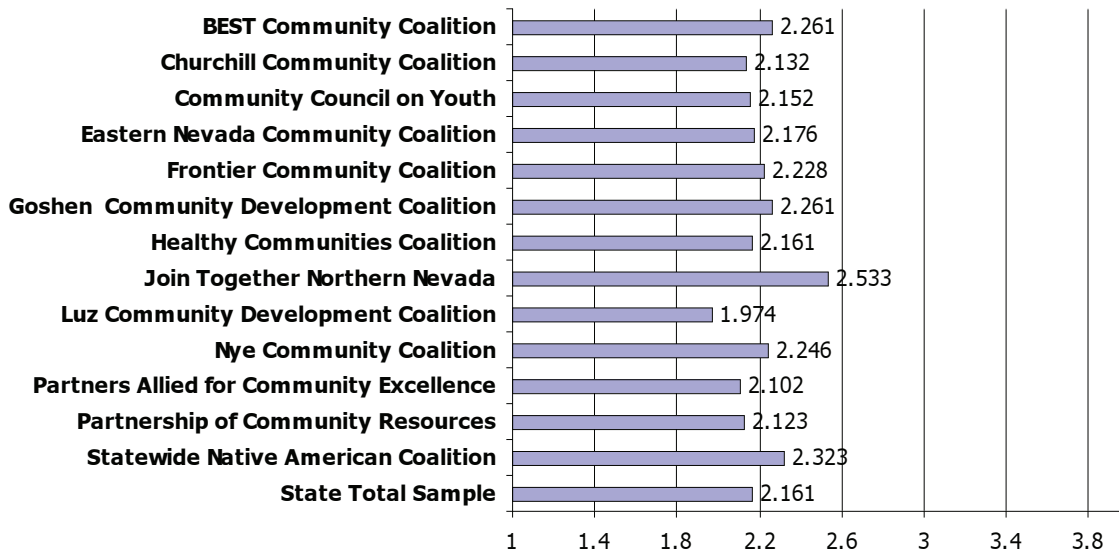
An important aspect of alcohol use is how minors and intoxicated persons obtain alcohol, where it is purchased, and consequences of selling to underage persons. The graph reflects the perceived risk of selling alcohol to a minor or an intoxicated person.

A risk scale for illegally providing alcohol was constructed from two survey items:

- the likelihood of being arrested for selling alcohol to an intoxicated person;
- the likelihood of being given a citation and fined for giving or selling alcohol to someone under 21 years of age.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Perceived Risk of Providing/Selling Alcohol to Minors or Intoxicated Persons



The average state score of 2.16 indicates that respondents think it is only somewhat likely that people will suffer consequences of selling alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons (1 = very likely, 4 = very unlikely).

Respondents also were asked about the consequences of selling to someone less than 21 years of age.

Consequences for selling alcohol to minors

Possibility	Number	Percent
They would be fined	216	56.3
Lose their license to sell	107	27.9
They would go to jail	29	7.6
Nothing would happen	18	4.7
Total	370	96.4
Missing	14	3.6
Total with Missing	384	100.0

How frequent and present are police sobriety checkpoints? The awareness of enforcement activity is one of the key predictors of perception of risk. Information below reflects how many times respondents had been through a sobriety checkpoint in the past year, which can serve as one measure of awareness of the level of enforcement activity.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Number of times through a sobriety checkpoint in the past year?

Times in the past year	Number	Percent
0	346	90.1
1	20	5.2
2	13	3.4
4	2	.5
5	1	.3
10	1	.3
Total	383	99.7
Missing	1	.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Responses ranged from 0 to 10 with the majority of responses 0. The average number of times for the entire sample was .18 (almost 0) indicating that sobriety checkpoints are very infrequent.

Perception of Harm to Self

Another question focused on the risk of harming themselves physically and in other ways when they have 5 or more drinks of alcohol once or twice a week. Binge and heavy drinking is associated with multiple poor health outcomes, including addiction, disability due to injury, early death, and physical and mental health problems. The average rating for harm to self was 3.39 indicating that respondents thought 5 or more drinks at one sitting once or twice a week is a great risk.

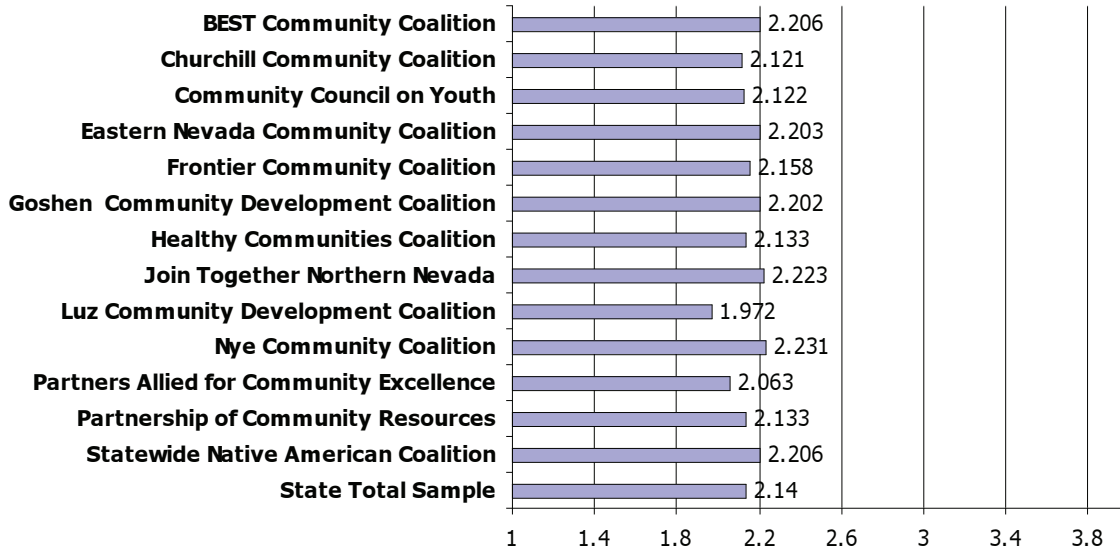
Risk	Number	Percent
No Risk	8	2.1
Slight Risk	42	10.9
Moderate Risk	121	31.5
Great Risk	204	53.1
Total	375	97.7
Missing	9	2.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Overall Perception of Risk

How does a community perceive risk? What is the perceived impact of alcohol use on a community? The graph below includes all risk items discussed above. It is a global measure of a community's perception of the risks associated with getting caught drinking if underage, drinking and driving, selling alcohol to minors and intoxicated patrons and harm to self from binge drinking.

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

Overall Perception of Risk Related to Alcohol



The state average of 2.14 indicates that respondents felt it was only somewhat likely that people experience consequences from underage drinking, getting caught drinking if underage, drinking and driving, selling alcohol to minors and intoxicated patrons and harm to self from binge drinking (the midpoint risk measure on this scale is 2.5; risk is very likely = 1, risk is very unlikely = 4).

NORMS

Norms provide the context for behavior choices. Respondents were asked whether they agreed or disagreed that parents should not let their children or their children's friends who are under 18 years of age drink alcohol at home. Respondents used a five point rating from strongly agree to strongly disagree.

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly agree	264	68.8
Agree	58	15.1
Neither agree nor disagree	24	6.3
Disagree	22	5.7
Strongly disagree	15	3.9
Total	383	99.7
Missing	1	.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

PRICING

Do pricing strategies increase retail sales? The table below shows whether respondents agree that they are more likely to buy alcohol from a store that advertises discount pricing on alcohol.

I don't buy alcohol	59	15.4
Strongly agree	40	10.4
Agree	63	16.4
Neither agree nor disagree	88	22.9
Disagree	70	18.2
Strongly disagree	61	15.9
Total	381	99.2
Missing	3	.8
Total with Missing	384	100.0

PROMOTION

How prominent is advertising for alcohol at public events? The information below reflects how often respondents see alcohol advertising at sporting and other events they might attend.

Rating	Number	Percent
I don't attend these events	14	3.6
A lot	183	47.7
Sometimes	136	35.4
Never	46	12.0
Total	379	98.7
Missing	5	1.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

ENFORCEMENT OF ALCOHOL LAWS

What is the perception of enforcement of alcohol laws in Nevada? Should sobriety checkpoints be a regular part of police activity? Respondents were asked if they agree that police should conduct regular sobriety checkpoints to detect drinking and driving. The table below details their responses.

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly agree	223	58.1
Agree	111	28.9
Neither agree nor disagree	21	5.5
Disagree	14	3.6
Strongly disagree	11	2.9
Total	380	99.0
Missing	4	1.0
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Are enforcement practices sufficient? The table below details respondent perception as to whether Nevada's enforcement of drinking and driving laws was appropriate, ranking from "too strict" to "not strict enough".

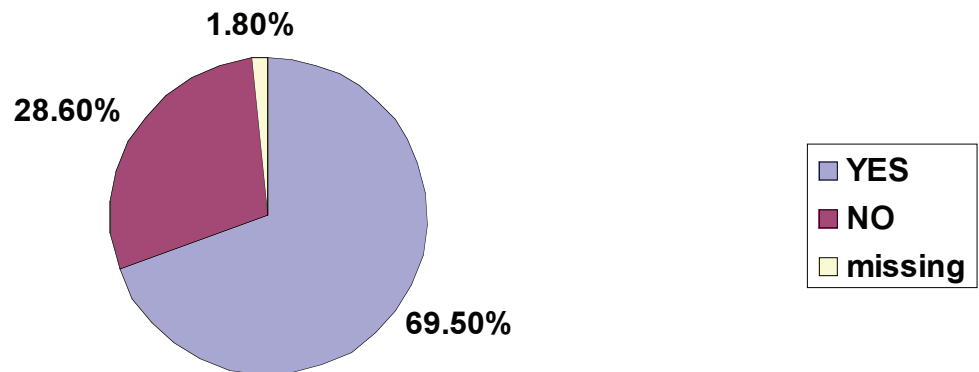
Rating	Number	Percent
Too strict	15	3.9
Not strict enough	112	29.2
Just about right	163	42.4
Total	290	75.5
Missing	94	24.5
Total with Missing	384	100.0

ENFORCEMENT OF ALCOHOL LAWS CONTINUED

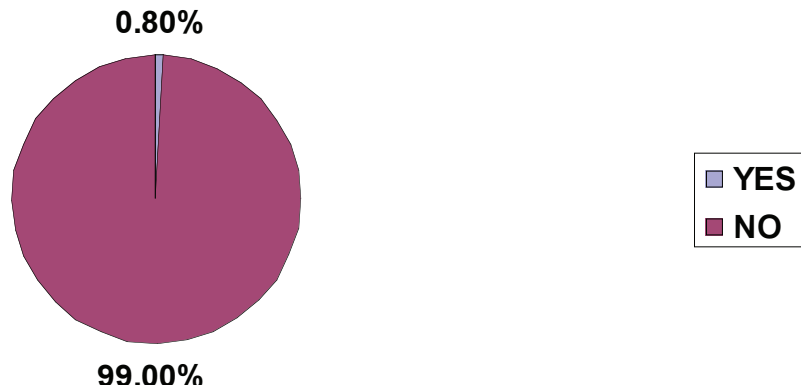
How prominent are police efforts in the community in dealing with drinking and driving?

The graphs below show whether respondents have heard or seen anything about police setting up sobriety checkpoints or other enforcement efforts to catch drivers who were driving while under the influence of alcohol, and whether the respondent has been arrested for DUI in the past year.

Heard anything about alcohol law enforcement activities?



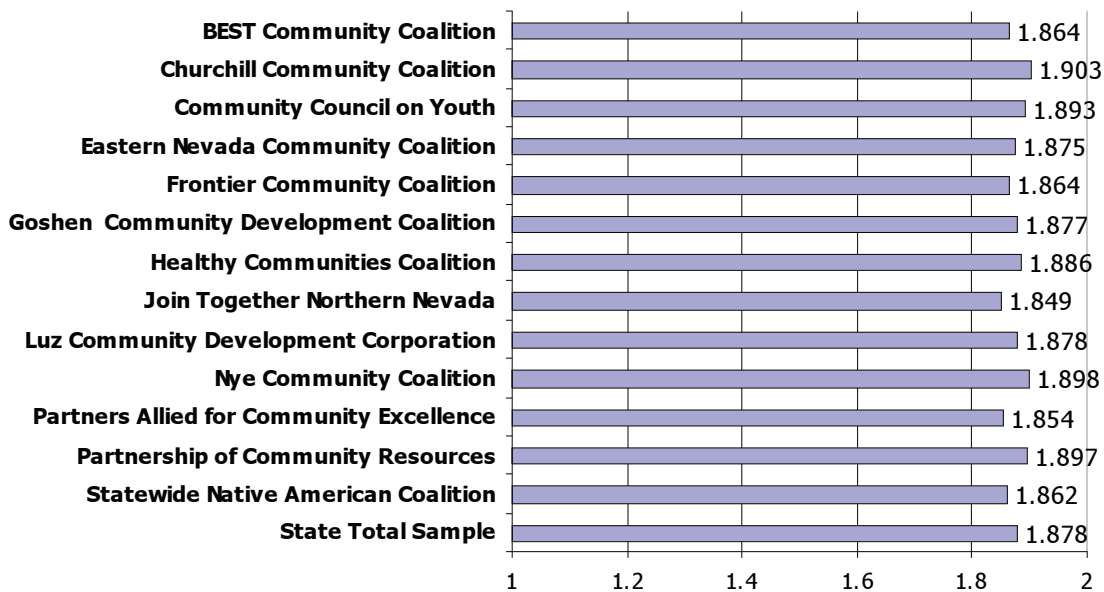
Have you been arrested for DWI in the past year?



RETAIL ACCESS BY INTOXICATED PATRONS

Two items measured retail access issues related to sales to patrons already intoxicated. One question asked if the respondent had seen other people served alcohol when they were already intoxicated during the past 30 days and the other question asked if during the past 30 days the respondent had been served alcohol when they had already had too much to drink. These items were combined into a scale with 1 = yes and 2 = no. Lower scores (closer to 1) indicate that the respondents did not see or experience alcohol control measures through beverage servers or sales people, but instead observed alcohol being made readily available to intoxicated persons.

Retail Access by Intoxicated Adults



ACCESS TO ALCOHOL FOR MINORS

Three items asked about alcohol access by minors. The first question asked respondents (N=9 minors in the sample) how easy it is for them to get alcohol.

Difficulty	Number	Percent without Missing
Somewhat difficult	2	22.2
Somewhat easy	3	33.3
Very easy	4	44.4
Total	9	100.0
Missing	375	
Total with Missing	384	

ACCESS TO ALCOHOL FOR MINORS CONTINUED

This was followed by a question that asked the minors who responded how they got their alcohol.

Where	Number	Percent	Percent without Missing
I did not drink alcohol during the past 30 days	5	1.3	71.4
I got it from a friend or acquaintance of my parents	1	.3	14.3
I bought it myself without using a fake ID at a store	1	.3	14.3
Total	7	1.8	100.0
Missing	377	98.2	
Total with Missing	384	100.0	

Was your ID checked during alcohol purchases in the past 30 days?



SUPPORT FOR ALCOHOL POLICY

Five questions at the end of the interview measured respondents' attitudes (strongly favor to strongly oppose) regarding specific legislative and policy controls for alcohol. These questions included:

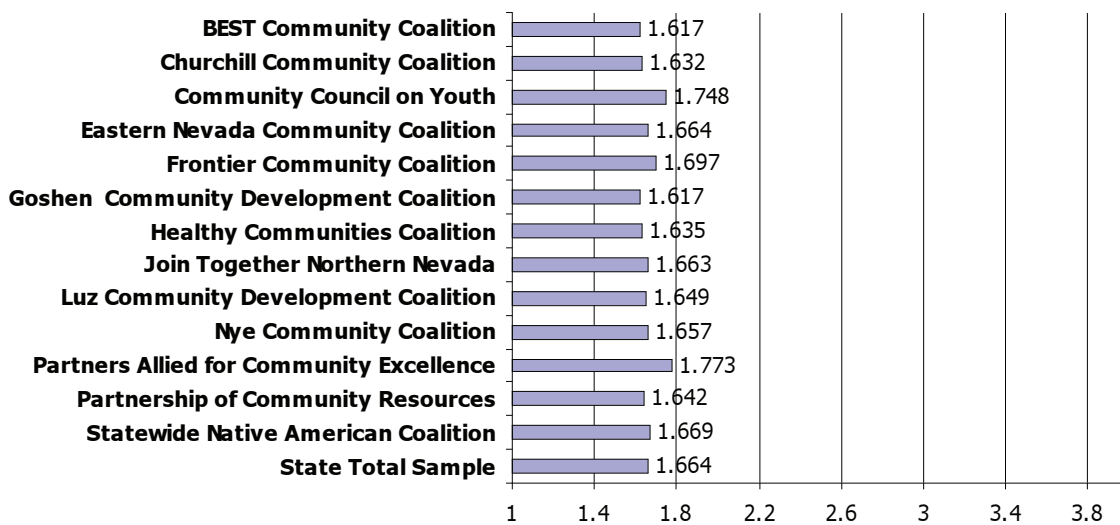
- Should advertisements for alcoholic beverages within our communities be restricted to making drinking less appealing to kids?
- Alcohol companies often sponsor special events so that they can advertise and sell alcohol there. How strongly would you favor or oppose a recommendation to community planners that they refuse sponsorship by alcohol companies for events attended by teens?
- Increasing efforts to reduce underage drinking will cost money. In order to raise the money, how strongly do you favor or oppose an increase of 5 cents per drink in the tax on beer, wine, and liquor sold to pay for programs for prevention of underage drinking and to increase alcohol prevention and treatment programs?

SUPPORT FOR ALCOHOL POLICY CONTINUED

- Would you favor or oppose laws in Nevada that make it easier for adults to be held liable if they alcohol to a teenager and then someone gets hurt?
- Would you favor or oppose laws or ordinances in your community that penalize adults for hosting underage drinking parties?

These items were combined into an attitude about alcohol policy scale based on respondent ratings with 1 = strongly favor and 4 = strongly oppose.

Attitudes About Alcohol Policy and Control Measures



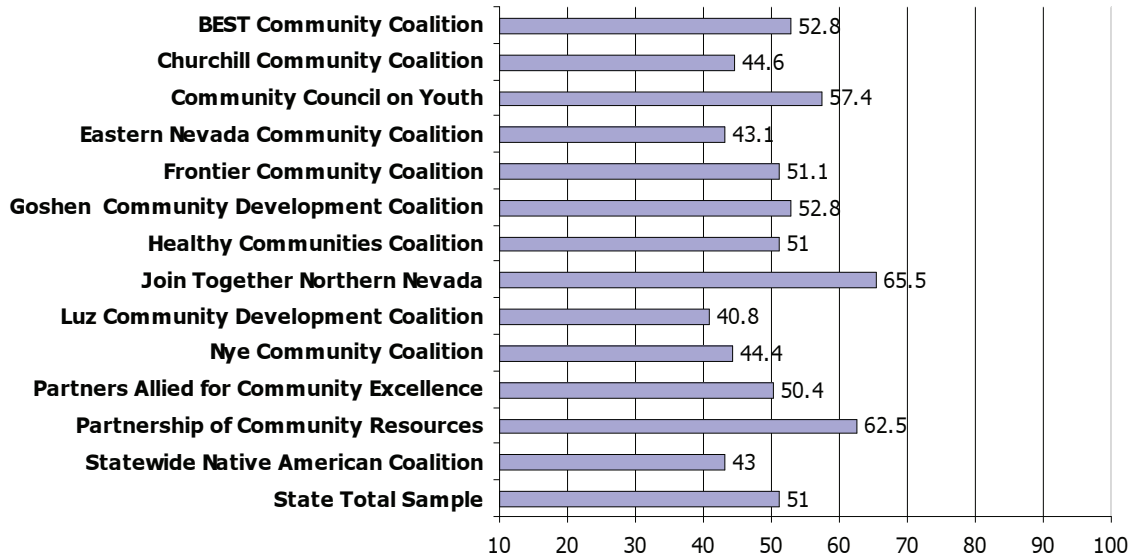
ALCOHOL USE

The average age of first use for alcohol in the statewide telephone sample was 15.8 years. Respondents reported started drinking as early as infancy and as late as 55 years. The question asked respondents to report on age of first use for drinking more "than a sip or two" of alcohol.

Respondents were asked if they had at least one alcoholic drink in the past 30 days. This will provide an indication of norms around drinking and acceptance of alcohol, in general, for particular communities. As is evident in the resulting graph below, that displays the results from all coalition areas, there is a large variance among the regions and populations of the state.

ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

Have you had at least one alcoholic drink in the past 30 days?



Respondents also were asked to report on how many days per week or per month during the past 30 days they had at least one drink of any alcoholic beverage.

Number of days per week	Number	Percent
1	25	25
2	29	29
3	16	16
4	8	8
5	8	8
6	2	2
7	12	12
Total	100	100.00

Number of days per month	Number	Percent
1	26	21.5
2	22	18.2
3	13	10.7
4	9	7.4
5	5	4.1
6	1	0.8
7	1	0.8
8	2	1.7
9	1	0.8
10	7	5.8
12	4	3.3
15	11	9.1
20	4	3.3

ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

Number of days per month	Number	Percent
21	1	0.8
25	2	1.7
27	1	0.8
30	11	9.1
Total	121	100.00

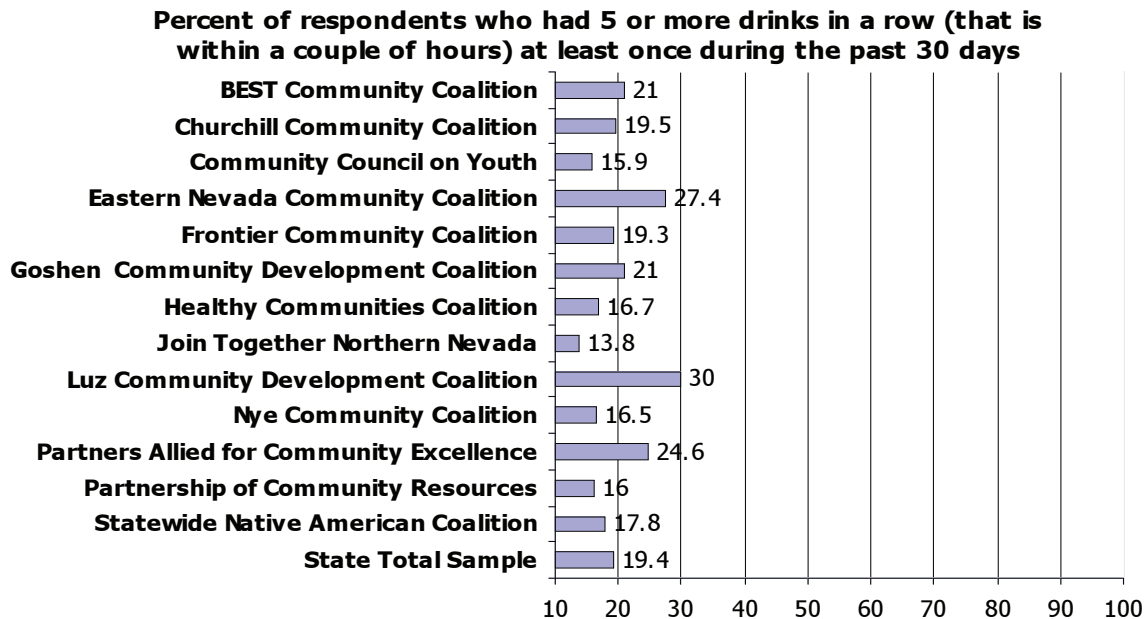
Respondents also were asked how many drinks they have on average when they drank during the past 30 days. For the entire sample the average was 1.84 and the range was from 0 (none) to 8 drinks.

During the past 30 days on the days that you drank, how many drinks did you drink on average?

Number of Drinks	Number	Percent
0	2	.5
1	112	29.2
2	69	18.0
3	18	4.7
4	10	2.6
5	3	.8
6	4	1.0
7	1	.3
8	2	.5
Total	221	57.6
Missing	163	42.4
Total with Missing	384	100.0

ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

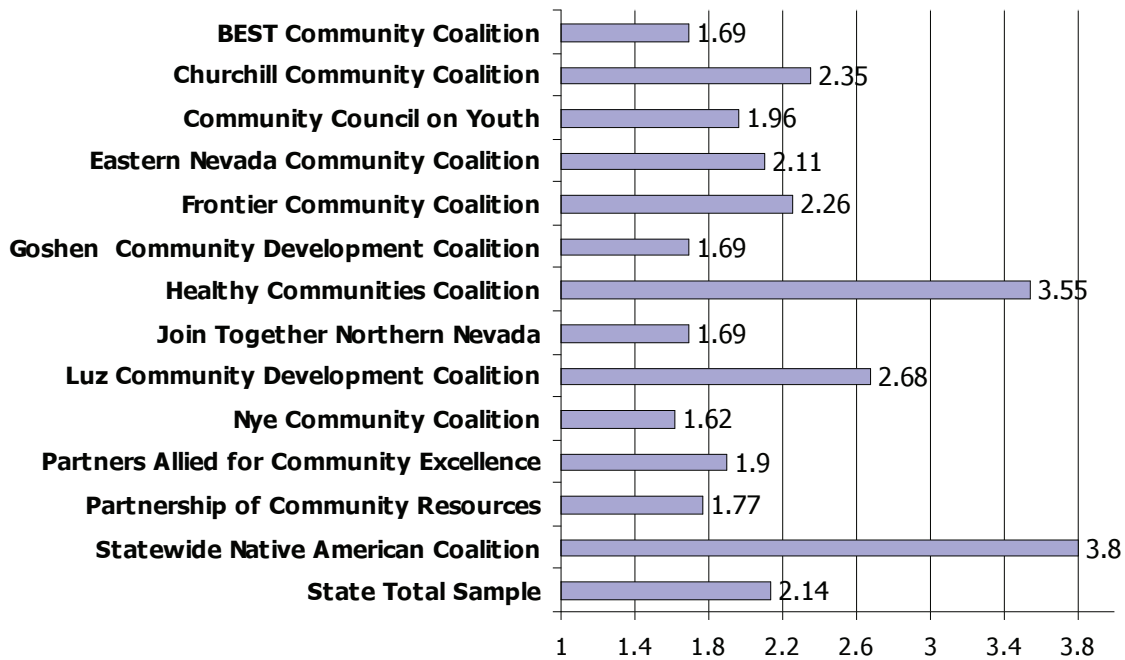
The graph for the next question compares each coalition with the statewide percentage of respondents who said that they had had 5 or more drinks in a row at least once during the past 30 days. This is the traditional measure of binge drinking in a community. The average number of times for the statewide sample was .75 (less than 1) indicating that most respondents (N=2576) denied any drinking occasions during the past 30 days where they drank 5 or more drinks in a row.



ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

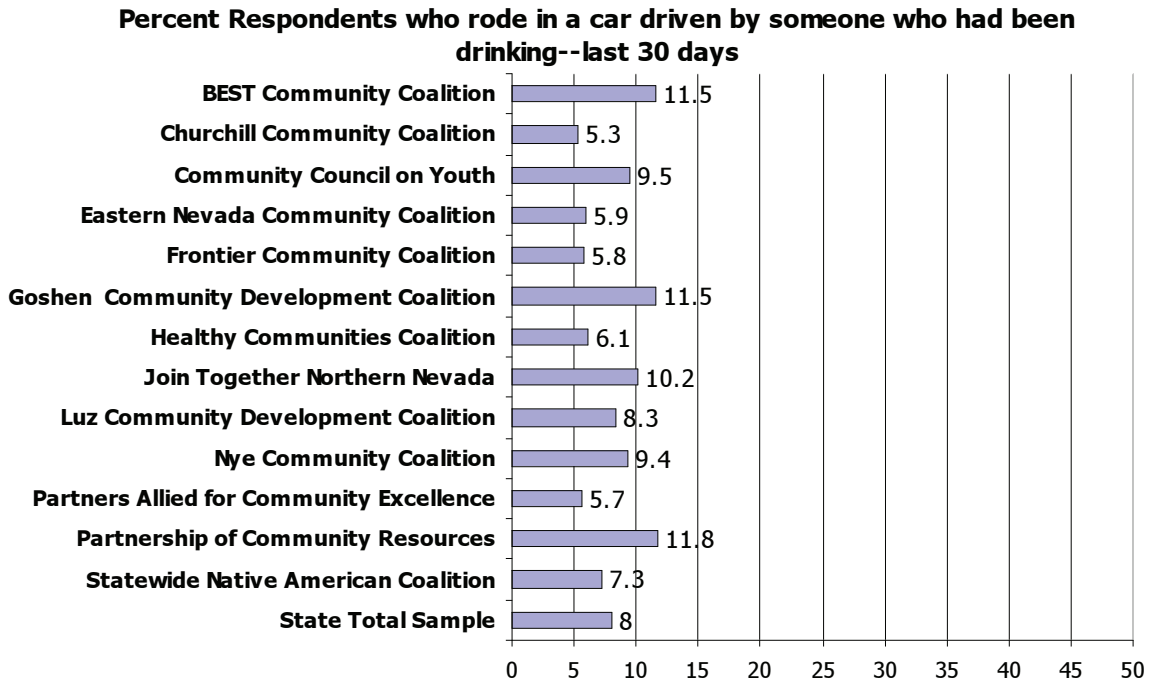
The next graph provides a comparison among the state sample and the coalitions of the average number of drinks consumed the last time the respondent drank and drove.

Average number of drinks you had last time you drank and drove



ALCOHOL USE CONTINUED

This next graph compares each coalition area with the statewide sample for the percentage of respondents who said yes to the question about whether they had ridden with someone else who had been drinking during the past 30 days.



TOBACCO USE

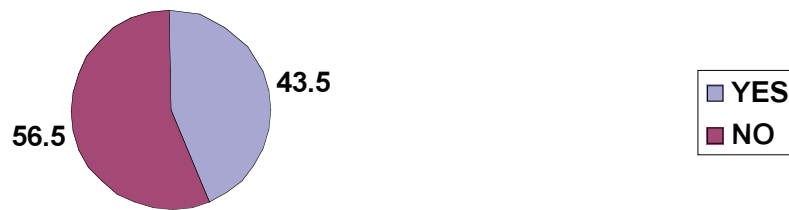
The first question on tobacco use asked respondents whether anyone at home smoked cigarettes.

Tobacco use in the home



TOBACCO USE CONTINUED

The next question asked respondents whether they had smoked 100 cigarettes in their entire lives. One pack contains 20 cigarettes.

Ever smoked 100 cigarettes

The next question asked smokers if they smoked every day, some days, or not at all. The largest portion of respondents never smoked.

	Number	Percent
Every day	46	12.0
Some days	11	2.9
Not at all	109	28.4
Total	166	43.2
Missing	218	56.8
Total with Missing	384	100.0

Finally, respondents were asked how many cigarettes a day they smoked. A total of 167 respondents said they smoked and the minimum number of cigarettes anyone reported smoking on a daily basis was 0 (none) and the maximum number of cigarettes was 100 (about 5 packs). The average number of cigarettes smoked was 13.96 (less than one pack).

MARIJUANA LEGALIZATION

How strongly do you favor or oppose the legalization of marijuana?

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly favor	87	22.7
Somewhat favor	39	10.2
Somewhat oppose	56	14.6
Strongly oppose	193	50.3
Total	375	97.7
Missing	9	2.3
Total with Missing	384	100.0

DRUG USE

Drug Item	State Number	State Percent or Average	Coalition Number	Coalition Percent
Average # Times used Marijuana in the last 12 months	229	.96	31	1.69
Ever used marijuana (percent yes)	1464	33.2	136	35.4
Average # Times used Stimulants in the last 12 months	66	.21	6	.30
Ever used Stimulants (percent yes)	588	12.9	65	16.9
Did your use of stimulants include methamphetamine	329	7.1	22	5.7
How many times in the last 12 months have you used methamphetamines	33	1.70	3	3.55
Average # Times used Cocaine in the last 12 months	45	.07	3	.03
Ever used Cocaine (percent yes)	614	13.4	68	17.7
Average # Times used Hallucinogens in the last 12 months	50	.09	5	.17
Ever used Hallucinogens (percent yes)	500	10.9	60	15.6
Average # Times used Sedatives in the last 12 months	92	.32	13	.77
Ever used Sedatives (percent yes)	198	4.4	13	3.4
Average # Times used Opiates in the last 12 months	35	.09	1	.00
Ever used Opiates (percent yes)	162	3.5	12	3.1

DRUG USE

Average # Times used Heroin in the last 12 months	58	.83	1	.25
Ever used Heroin (percent yes)	58	29.4	4	1.0
Average # Times used other prescription drugs in the last 12 months	95	.19	8	.51
Ever used other prescription drugs (percent yes)	134	2.9	12	3.1

NEVADA COMMUNITY CONVENIENCE SURVEY: DATA COLLECTED BY JOIN TOGETHER NORTHERN NEVADA (JTNN), SERVING WASHOE COUNTY

The Nevada statewide convenience survey consisted of a sample of individuals selected by coalition members from each of ten geographic regions of the state represented by the state's substance abuse prevention coalitions, and a sample of Native American individuals from the state's many Native American communities. The ten regions constitute the entire geographic area of Nevada. These regions range in size from one county to three counties. The multi-county coalition areas of the state reflect contiguous groupings of counties with small populations.

There are a total of thirteen coalitions serving persons in Nevada, with their coverage areas shown in the table below. Each of these coalitions collected surveys for this data project. Each coalition identified populations or neighborhoods and collection strategies that would provide the best community input from individuals for their planning purposes. The Statewide Native American Coalition utilized a slightly altered version of this instrument. Four coalitions also collected data from youth using a survey tailored for that age group. All of those results, as well as the aggregated statewide data, are reported separately.

Nevada Coalition	County/ -ies (or communities) in coverage area
BEST Community Coalition	Clark County
Churchill Community Coalition	Churchill County
Community Council on Youth	Carson City
Eastern Nevada Community Coalition	Eureka, Lincoln, and White Pine Counties
Frontier Community Coalition	Humboldt, Lander, and Pershing Counties
Goshen Community Development Coalition	Clark County
Healthy Communities Coalition	Lyon, Storey, and Mineral Counties
Join Together Northern Nevada	Washoe County
Luz Community Development Coalition	Hispanic community of Clark County
Nye Community Coalition	Esmeralda and Nye Counties
Partners Allied for Community Excellence	Elko County
Partnership of Community Resources	Douglas County
Statewide Native American Coalition	Twenty-seven tribal communities across state and urban area Native Americans

A total of 9,162 surveys was collected utilizing the three survey instruments (community – 6,450, Native American – 1,253, and youth – 1,459), exceeding the total target twofold. This report describes the community instruments collected by Join Together Northern Nevada, serving Washoe County.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Coalition

Coalition	Number	Percent
Join Together Northern Nevada Coalition	846	100.0

What County do you live in?

County	Number	Percent
Carson	16	1.9
Lyon	3	.4
Washoe	827	97.8
Total	846	100.0

Respondents also identified their zip codes. This information is included in the Appendix for the entire sample.

What is your age?

Age Category	Number	Percent
15-17	189	22.3
18-20	128	15.1
21-24	179	21.2
25-30	95	11.2
31-35	61	7.2
36-40	67	7.9
41-50	73	8.6
51-60	33	3.9
61-70	14	1.7
71+	4	.5
Total	843	99.6

Male/Female

Gender	Number	Percent
Male	374	44.2
Female	464	54.8
Total	838	99.1
Missing	8	.9
Total with Missing	846	100.0

DEMOGRAPHICS CONTINUED

Respondents could mark multiple categories for race. The following tables and narrative describe the racial composition of the sample.

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

	Number	Percent
Yes	209	24.7

Respondents who marked White

	Number	Percent
Yes	548	64.8

Respondents who marked American Indian

	Number	Percent
Yes	38	4.5

Respondents who marked Asian

	Number	Percent
Yes	16	1.9

Respondents who marked Black or African American

	Number	Percent
Yes	93	11.0

Respondents who marked Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander

	Number	Percent
Yes	13	1.5

Respondents who marked Alaska Native

	Number	Percent
Yes	4	.5

Respondents who marked Other

	Number	Percent
Yes	19	2.2

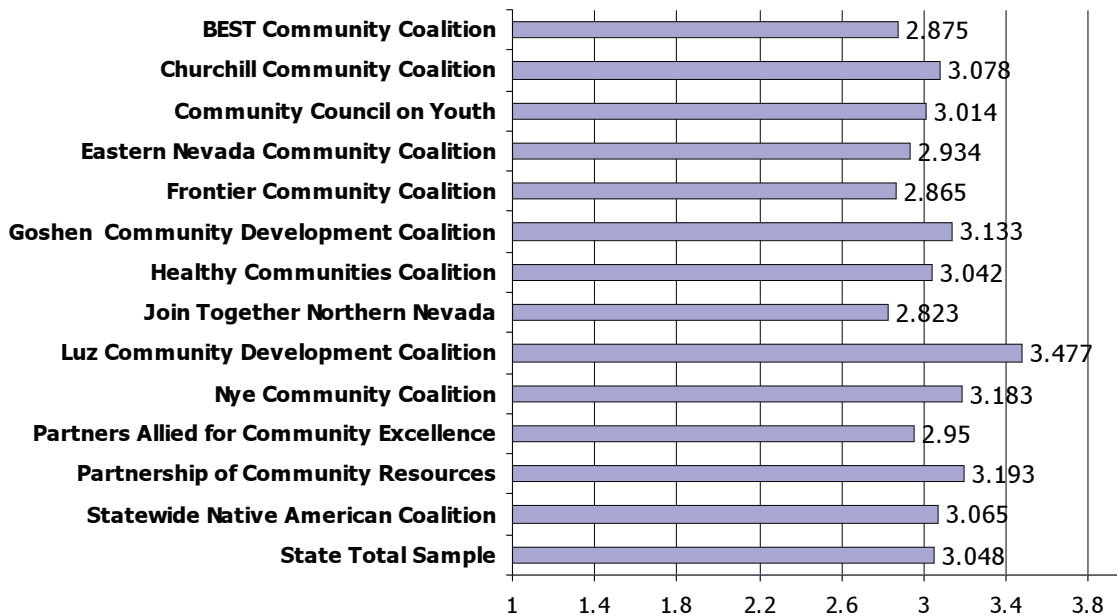
Respondents who marked the other category also could write down their racial background. The Appendix includes the responses of these community members.

NORMS

Respondents were asked how wrong most people in their community think it is to binge drink and how wrong most community people think it is for underage youth (15-20 years) to drink. Both these questions were rated using a scale from “very wrong” = 4 to “not wrong at all” = 1. Higher scores on the scale comprised of these items (average scores were calculated) indicated the group thought it was very wrong. Scores ranged from 1 to 4 after the average score was calculated.

The average score on the scale about drinking norms was 3.05 indicating that the group thinks that it is wrong to binge drink and for underage youth to drink, but it is not considered very wrong.

Social / Community Norms



NORMS CONTINUED

Social Community Norms

Rating	Number	Percent
Not wrong at all	30	3.5
1.50	62	7.3
A little wrong	140	16.5
2.50	144	17.0
Wrong	176	20.8
3.50	136	16.1
Very wrong	149	17.6
Total	837	98.9
Missing	9	1.1
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The items that were used to construct the scales above are included in the next two tables.

How wrong would people in your community think it is to binge drink?

Rating	Number	Percent
Not wrong at all	80	9.5
A little wrong	259	30.6
Wrong	299	35.3
Very Wrong	191	22.6
Total	829	98.0
Missing	17	2.0
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The percentages for each response to the question, "How wrong do people in your community think it is for underage youth to drink?"

Rating	Number	Percent
Not wrong at all	57	6.7
A little wrong	221	26.1
Wrong	274	32.4
Very Wrong	271	32.0
Total	823	97.3
Missing	23	2.7
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The next question also was rated using a four-point scale but the scale was rated from "strongly disagree" = 1 to "strongly agree" = 4. The average score on this question for the group was 2.50.

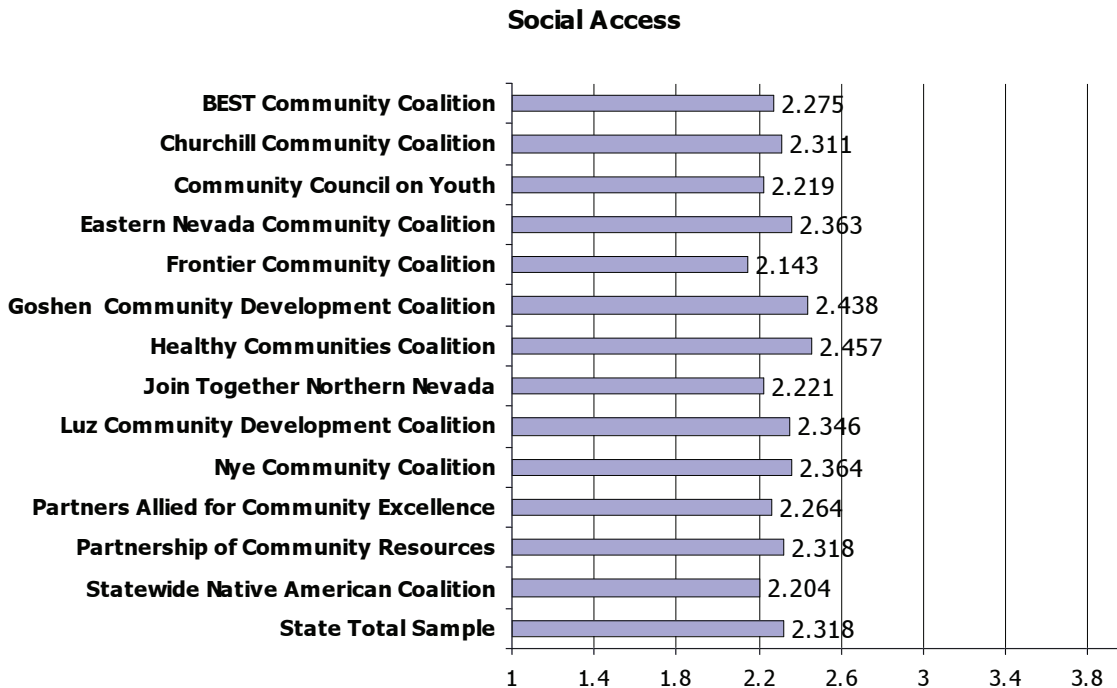
NORMS CONTINUED

Underage drinking is a rite of passage and not likely to change

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	122	14.4
Disagree	248	29.3
Agree	349	41.3
Strongly Agree	107	12.6
Total	826	97.6
Missing	20	2.4
Total with Missing	846	100.0

SOCIAL ACCESS

Social access included items that asked respondents about how youth acquire alcohol and focused on access from family, parents, strangers, and friends. The first scale is a composite of responses to the question about how easy or difficult it is for youth to alcohol from older siblings, parents, friends, and adults / strangers. Each source was rated separately using the scale 1= "very easy" to 4 = "very difficult". The responses for these ratings were added together and divided by 4 to develop a social access scale with scores that ranged from 1 to 4.



SOCIAL ACCESS CONTINUED

Mean Scale: Social Access

Rating	Number	Percent
1.00 very easy	69	8.2
1.25	28	3.3
1.50	54	6.4
1.75	87	10.3
2.00 easy	164	19.4
2.25	126	14.9
2.33	2	.2
2.50	102	12.1
2.67	4	.5
2.75	73	8.6
3.00 difficult	56	6.6
3.25	22	2.6
3.50	12	1.4
3.75	10	1.2
4.00 very difficult	33	3.9
Total	842	99.5
Missing	4	.5
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The four items that were used to construct the scales above are included in the next four tables.

How easy or difficult is it for underage youth to obtain alcohol from older siblings?

Rating	Number	Percent
Very easy	257	30.4
Easy	370	43.7
Difficult	110	13.0
Very difficult	98	11.6
Total	835	98.7
Missing	11	1.3
Total with Missing	846	100.0

How easy or difficult is it for underage youth to obtain alcohol from parents?

Rating	Number	Percent
Very easy	98	11.6
Easy	174	20.6
Difficult	328	38.8
Very difficult	225	26.6
Total	825	97.5
Missing	21	2.5
Total with Missing	846	100.0

SOCIAL ACCESS CONTINUED

How easy or difficult is it for underage youth to obtain alcohol from friends?

Rating	Number	Percent
Very easy	362	42.8
Easy	345	40.8
Difficult	68	8.0
Very difficult	48	5.7
Total	823	97.3
Missing	23	2.7
Total with Missing	846	100.0

How easy or difficult is it for underage youth to obtain alcohol from adults / strangers?

Rating	Number	Percent
Very easy	191	22.6
Easy	299	35.3
Difficult	248	29.3
Very difficult	87	10.3
Total	825	97.5
Missing	21	2.5
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The next three tables provide additional data about underage access to alcohol.

How easy or difficult do you think it would be for underage youth to get beer, wine coolers, or liquor from home without their parents knowing it?

Rating	Number	Percent
Very easy	210	24.8
Easy	420	49.6
Difficult	151	17.8
Very difficult	60	7.1
Total	841	99.4
Missing	5	.6
Total with Missing	846	100.0

How often do you think parents in your community provide alcohol at parties their children host?

Rating	Number	Percent
Never	149	17.6
Sometimes, but not that often	475	56.1
Often	179	21.2
Very often	34	4.9
Total	837	98.9
Missing	9	1.1
Total with Missing	846	100.0

SOCIAL ACCESS CONTINUED

When you think about underage youth, where do you think they usually obtain alcohol?

	Number	Percent
Friends	618	73
Parents	119	14.1
Strangers	185	21.9
Other Family members	169	20

This table should be understood in the context of the entire sample of individuals who completed the survey. This table, and the one that follows under Retail Access, are built from one question that asked about multiple sources of alcohol, some social, some retail. Respondents could choose more than one response, so the responses total to more than 100%. The key observation here is that most respondents believe social sources, especially friends, are the primary source of alcohol for underage youth.

RETAIL ACCESS

When you think about underage youth, where do you think they usually obtain alcohol?

Item	Number	Percent
a liquor store	137	16.2
a bar	38	4.5
a restaurant	23	2.7
a grocery store	110	13.0
a convenience store	156	18.4

Along with the preceding table, this table is constructed from the question that allowed multiple responses about access to alcohol by underage youth, and the responses from the two tables exceed 100%. Based on this question, a few types of retail establishments are considered retail sources of alcohol for youth. However, in the context of the previous table, it is clear that social sources are viewed as the primary source of alcohol for underage youth.

How well does your community monitor the location of alcohol outlets and bars?

Rating	Number	Percent
Not at all well	131	15.5
Not well	246	29.1
Sort of well	326	38.5
Very well	128	15.1
Total	831	98.2
Missing	15	1.8
Total with Missing	846	100.0

RETAIL ACCESS CONTINUED

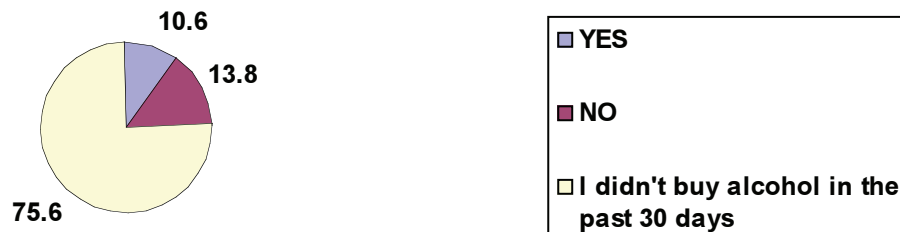
Those serving alcohol in my community are properly trained to do so

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	115	13.6
Disagree	271	32.0
Agree	358	42.3
Strongly Agree	79	9.3
Total	823	97.3
Missing	23	2.7
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The next tables were answered by the portion of the sample that was under 21 years of age (minors).

During the past 30 days, if you bought alcohol at a store such as a grocery store, liquor store, convenience store, or gas station, did the person check your ID?

ID check at retail sales source



During the past 30 days, did anyone ever refuse to sell you alcohol because of your age?

Option	Number	Percent without Missing
I did not try to buy alcohol in the past 30 days	221	73.7
Yes, someone refused to sell me alcohol because of my age	31	10.3
No, my age did not keep me from buying alcohol	48	16.0
Total	300	100.0
Missing	546	
Total with Missing	846	

RETAIL ACCESS CONTINUED

How many stores do you know of that would sell you alcohol without asking you for ID or proof of age?

Number of stores	Number	Percent without Missing
0	84	36.4
1	30	13.0
2	43	18.6
3	33	14.3
4	14	6.1
5	9	3.9
6	4	1.7
7	4	1.7
8	1	.4
10	2	.9
15	3	1.3
17	2	.9
35	1	.4
75	1	.4
Total	231	100.0
Missing	615	
Total with Missing	846	

PERCEPTION OF RISK

If you were to drink and drive, what do you think would happen to you?

Item	Number	Percent
The police would catch me.	348	41.1
I would get a ticket and pay a fine.	222	26.2
I would go to jail for a night.	280	33.1
Nothing would happen to me.	126	14.9
Anything else?	73	8.6

PERCEPTION OF RISK CONTINUED

For “anything else”, respondents suggested:

- Accident / crash
- Counseling
- Die
- DUI
- I don’t drink and never will
- Probation time
- Insurance would rise
- Kill / hurt someone
- Parents would find out/ would kill me
- Grounded
- Public humiliation and loss of license
- Suspend / lose license
- Guilt
- Problem getting a job
- Lose job
- Pay a lot of money.

Respondents were also asked if they agreed that law enforcement does very little to stop underage drinking. This item was scored using the “strongly disagree” = 1 to “strongly agree” = 4 rating.

Law enforcement does very little to stop underage drinking.

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	138	16.3
Disagree	375	44.3
Agree	239	28.3
Strongly Agree	63	7.4
Total	815	96.3
Missing	31	3.7
Total with Missing	846	100.0

PROMOTION

Two items studied promotion. Respondents rated these using four point scales with 1 = "not at all well" or "strongly disagree" and 4 = "very well" or "strongly agree".

How well does your community monitor the location of alcohol advertising?

Rating	Number	Percent
Not at all well	119	14.1
Not well	242	28.6
Sort of well	345	40.8
Very well	130	15.4
Total	836	98.8
Missing	10	1.2
Total with Missing	846	100.0

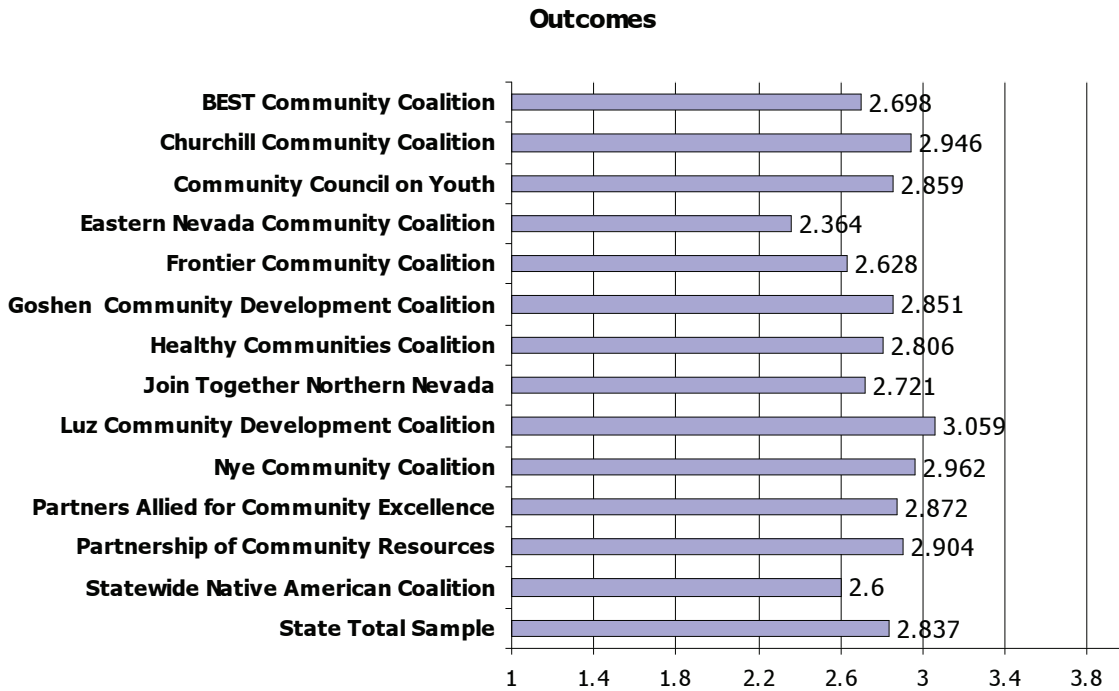
Alcohol advertising should not be allowed at events attended by children such as sporting events or community celebrations.

Rating	Number	Percent
Strongly Disagree	153	18.1
Disagree	283	33.5
Agree	218	25.8
Strongly Agree	162	19.1
Total	816	96.5
Missing	30	3.5
Total with Missing	846	100.0

OUTCOMES

A scale was developed using three questions with the answer ratings that ranged from 1= "not a problem" to 4 = "a serious problem". The three questions asked how serious a problem underage drinking is at unsupervised, informal gatherings in the community; how serious a problem alcohol related motor vehicle crashes are in the community; and how serious a problem drinking and driving is in the community. The average score for the scale was 2.8 indicating the respondents think these problems are slightly more than "somewhat of a problem". Responses to individual responses are included in the appendix.

OUTCOMES CONTINUED



Serious Problem scale responses

Rating	Number	Percent
1.00 Not a problem at all	27	3.2
1.33	22	2.6
1.5	1	.1
1.67	47	5.6
2.00 Somewhat of a problem	116	13.7
2.33	107	12.6
2.5	2	.2
2.67	122	14.4
3.00 Serious problem	173	20.4
3.33	89	10.5
3.5	4	.5
3.67	58	6.9
4.00 Very serious problem	78	9.2
Total	846	100.0

The next three tables provide a breakdown of the responses to the three questions that were used to construct the outcomes scale in the graph above.

OUTCOMES CONTINUED

How serious a problem is alcohol consumption by underage youth at unsupervised, informal gatherings in your community?

Rating	Number	Percent
Not a problem at all	87	10.3
Somewhat of a problem	299	35.3
Serious problem	308	36.4
Very serious problem	145	17.1
Total	839	99.2
Missing	7	.8
Total with Missing	846	100.0

How serious a problem are alcohol related motor vehicle crashes in your community?

Rating	Number	Percent
Not a problem at all	78	9.2
Somewhat of a problem	261	30.9
Serious problem	299	35.3
Very serious problem	194	22.9
Total	832	98.3
Missing	14	1.7
Total with Missing	846	100.0

How much do you think that drinking and driving is a problem for your community?

Rating	Number	Percent
Not a problem at all	60	7.1
Somewhat of a problem	256	30.3
Serious problem	294	34.8
Very serious problem	226	26.7
Total	836	98.8
Missing	10	1.2
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The next outcome question asked respondents to identify the percentage of youth under 21 years of age who drank alcohol during the past 30 days. Percentages ranged from 0 to 100 with approximately 14% of the sample saying 50% and 11% of the sample identifying 80% of youth drank. The average percentage identified by the group overall was 61%. Less than 1% of the sample said that 0% (none) of underage youth in the area drank alcohol during the past 30 days. For a complete list of the number of respondents who chose each percentage as a response, see the Appendix.

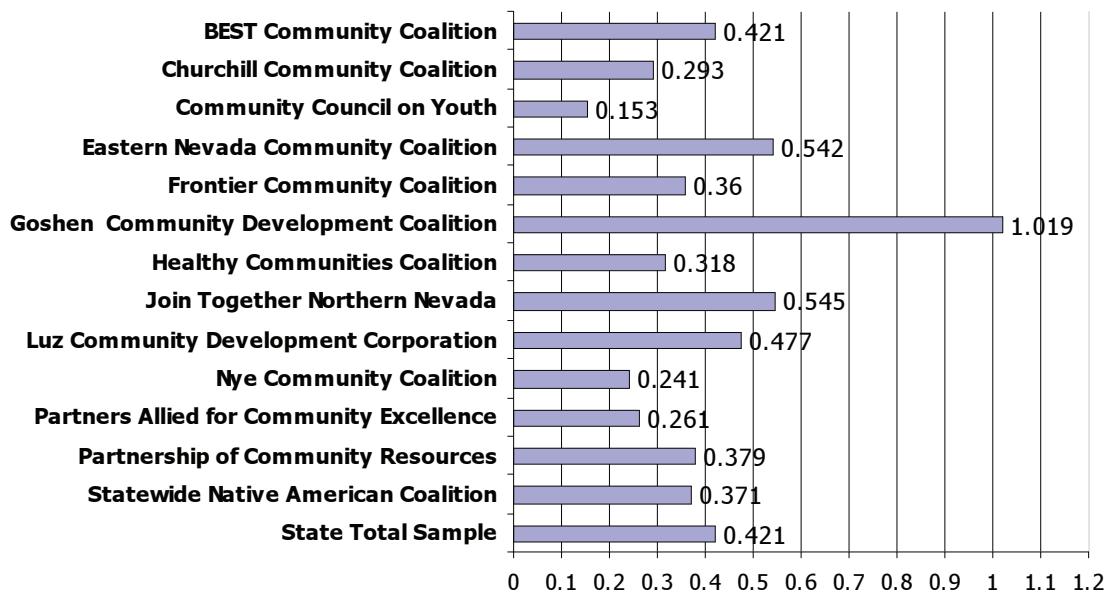
OUTCOMES CONTINUED

If you drink alcohol, during the past 30 days, on how many days did you have 5 or more drinks of alcohol in a row?

Number of days	Number	Percent	Percent without Missing
0 days	426	50.4	53.3
1 day	101	11.9	12.6
2 days	85	10.0	10.6
3-5 days	85	10.0	10.6
6-9 days	38	4.5	4.8
10-19 days	30	3.5	3.8
20 or more days	34	4.0	4.3
Total	799	94.4	100.0
Missing	47	5.6	
Total with Missing	846	100.0	

The average number of days for this question was 1.29. However, 373 or 46.7% reported binge drinking during the previous thirty days.

How many times did you drink and drive in the past 30 days?



Across the state there is a great deal of variability in the responses for this question. For some areas, the average number of times is close to 0 (Community Council on Youth, .153) while for other regions, the average number of times is greater than once a month that respondents said they drank and drove (Goshen, 1.019).

OUTCOMES CONTINUED

If you drink, during the past 30 days, how many times did you drive a car or other vehicle when you had been drinking alcohol?

Number of times	Number	Percent
0 times	567	67.0
1 time	97	11.5
2 or 3 times	96	11.3
4 or 5 times	13	1.5
6 or more times	27	3.2
Total	800	94.6
Missing	46	5.4
Total with Missing	846	100.0

The average number of times during the past 30 days was .55 (less than 1). Of those who responded affirmatively, 233 or 29.1% reported that they had driven a car at least once when they had been drinking.

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INTERVIEWING PROTOCOL

Strata	Target	Actual Completes
Washoe	384	384
Humboldt, Pershing, Lander	384	383
Churchill	384	545
Douglas	384	409
Carson City	384	391
Storey, Lyon, Mineral	384	477
Esmerelda, Nye	384	406
Elko	384	405
Eureka, White Pine, Lincoln	384	430
Clark	384	383
Hispanic surname sample	384	435
Total	4,224	4,648

INTERVIEWS BY LANGUAGE & STRATA

Strata	English	Spanish
Washoe	373	11
Humboldt, Pershing, Lander	378	5
Churchill	541	4
Douglas	405	4
Carson City	384	7
Storey, Lyon, Mineral	469	8
Esmerelda, Nye	405	1
Elko	393	12
Eureka, White Pine, Lincoln	428	2
Clark	350	33
Hispanic surname sample	268	167
Total	4,394	254

RESPONSE & REFUSAL RATES BY STRATA

Strata	Casro Rate	Cooperation Rate	Refusal Rate	Refusal Conversion Rate
Washoe	33.18%	60.28%	5.22%	9.45%
Humboldt, Pershing, Lander	45.15%	68.44%	4.16%	13.45%
Churchill	42.85%	68.22%	7.17%	16.88%
Douglas	38.53%	67.74%	5.13%	11.75%
Carson City	36.55%	60.03%	6.23%	11.51%
Storey, Lyon, Mineral	39.76%	64.92%	6.24%	12.41%
Esmerelda, Nye	36.98%	62.83%	6.79%	11.86%
Elko	40.27%	65.70%	5.29%	13.86%
Eureka, White Pine, Lincoln	44.87%	68.45%	5.15%	14.48%
Clark	34.07%	61.24%	4.97%	9.73%
Hispanic surname sample	17.76%	52.00%	6.41%	7.28%
Overall	36.10%	63.29%	5.66%	11.45%